## ICHMOND WANTS AN APPROPRIATION.

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#### HE FUNERAL OF DR. WISE.

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lehmond, Va., Dec. 22.-The failure Richmond to secure an appropria-Congress to improve the harhere is the general subject of consation, and there is much disap-ntment expressed. A gentleman

continent expressed. A gentleman who has just returned from Washington said today:

"The reason Richmond failed to get the appropriation is very plain, and is being openly discussed in Washington. The fact is the committee sent from Richmond to Washington were composed altogether of Democrats. They are leading citizens in their community, but they have no pull at all with the rivers and harbors committee, which is largely Republican.

"It is said that if the leading Republicans of Richmond had been sent the result would have been entirely different. I believe that this is true."

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Capt. John Lamb, who retuned from Washington last night for the Christ-mas holidays, said today that he would make a strong effort to have the bill DR. WISE'S FUNERAL.

Capt. Lamb will attend the services incident to the burial of the late Dr. Richard A. Wise, which takes place in Hollywood cemetery here tomorrow

A NARROW ESCAPE.

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Mr. Patrick McDonough, a well known saloon keeper of this city, had a narrow escape from death yesterday while duck hunting down the river with a party of friends.

They were exploring a marsh when Mr. McDonough became separated from the others and was soon hopelessly lost. While wandering about he stepped into a quagmire and sunk so deeply that he was unable to extricate himself.

He remained in that situation until he was almost frozen to death. Fortunately, before it was goo late, his friends, who had been searching for him, found him. He was brought home, and is rapidly recovering from his unpleasant experience.

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The City Council, the street railways and the Southern Bell Telephone Company are in a hopeless snarl here, and no man can foresee the end of it all. The Bell Company is operating here without a franchise, and by virtue of proceedings now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States. THE STREET CAR PROBLEM.

As to the street car problem, it is doubtful if any man understands it. There is a fight on between the two companies, and the Council is divided on almost every question that comes

The public hope that the active competition between the two lines will result in lowering of prices.

The various enterprises of which President John Skelton Williams, of the Seaboard Air Line, is president, of which the Traction Street Rallway Company is one, have been of vast benefit to Richmond, and when the above mentioned contests are settled the city will have more conveniences than almost any other of its size.

GUBERNATORIAL HONORS.

GURERNATORIAL HONORS. By far the most spirited and hotly-ontested battle for Gubernatorial conors that has taken place in Virginia for many years is just now beginning or many years is just now beginning or attract the serious attention of Democratic leaders, and immediately fiter the holidays it promises to take he first place among the multitude of oublic matters that will crowd the boiltical arena during the coming year.

Attorney-General Montague and Congressman Swanson are everywhere ressman Swanson are everywhere ooked upon as the leading candidates, and it is between these two young aspirants and their friends that the buttle will rage fiercest. They are both on the alert for votes and are leaving no stone unturned to secure the good will of the Democratic electors of the State. Both hall from the same Con-

DEACON ORDAINED - THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. Ashland, Va. Dec. 22.—A very inter-sting and impressive ceremony was conducted in the college chapel Monday sight, the event being the ordination of Rev. J. W. Lilliston to the office of Mr. Lilliston was elected a deacon

by the Virginia Conference at Norfolk last November, but, on account of an oversight, was not ordained with the others. He was assigned to Charles City circuit, from whence he came here to receive his ordination at the hands of Bishop Granbery.

Dr. W. G. Starr, Dr. W. E. Edwards and Rev. W. H. Atwill assisted in the service.

After a clear and vigorous address by the bishop, Mr. Atwill presented the

Dr. Starr read the "epistle," and Dr. Edwards read the "Gospel," after which Bishop Granbery ordained Mr. Lilliston a deacon of the M. E. Church,

South.

The Christmas holidays begin today and end with Tuesday, January, 1st, 1901. The greater number of the students left yesterday. The intermediate examinations are announced to begin on January 22.

#### FRANKTOWN.

MR. TANKARD ILL—CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION. (Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Franktown, Va., Dec. 22.—Since the last notes from this section the Metho dist conference has met and reappointed Rev. George H. Ray, D. D., to the pastorate here. Dr. Ray is a faithful and unwearled laborer in the Church and has a strong hold upon the people of the Eastern Shore

of the Eastern Shore. Rev. Messrs. Blankenship and Barrett have also been returned to their respective charges to the great gratification of their people at Capeville and Cape Charles City.

Rev. Jos. E. Potts, takes the place of Rev. Whitmore and Rev. Mr. Winn that of Rev. W. J. Twittey, both of whom have been kindly received by their people. They live in Accomac and preach in parts of Northampton, so that there are five Methodist ministers who preach regularly in the county. There are about 1,311 Methodists in Northampton, or nearly 10 per cent, of the entire population. These are communicants and represent close on to one-half of the entire population of the county. MR. JNO. W. TANKARD.

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This gentieman, who has been influential in the county for more than three-fourths of a century, is quite ill at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. H. Roberts. Mr. Tankard is in his 89th year. In his long life he has been a leading man in all that promotes the prosperity of this section. He is the president of the board of trustees of Margaret Academy, now situated in Onancock, and has been a favorite school teacher with the Eastern Shore people for more than a century. He is aminent both in character and culture and is well-beloved in both these counties. Mr. Tankard's friends are anxiously awaiting the outcome of this sickness.

CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION.

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Our skillful and accomplished member of the Virginia House of Delegates, who resides in this town, is preparing to go to Richmond to the approaching extra session of the Legislature.

There is no more active and industrious representative than Hon. John E. Nottingham, of Northampton county. There is some speculation as to who will be the member of the constitutional convention from Northampton. Some favor Judge Kendall, while others think of that talented young lawyer, Mr. Otho Mears; but others think that Hon. John E. Nottingham is as safe a man as any in the county. He favors a division of the school tax, so that it may be seen how much the black man pays to the education of his children, and that all taxable colored people should be made to pay a tax for the education of that race. He also thinks there should be an educational and property qualification to the franchise.

Our skillful and accomplished mem-ber of the Virginia House of Delegates

If the negroes were eliminated from politics he would gravitate to his true position in his relation to the Anglo-Saxons: and there would be fewer nameless crimes and consequently fewer lynchings, both North and South

### ROANOKE.

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Roanoke, Va., Dec. 22.—The residence of Rev. Samuel M. Firey, No. 340 Sixth avenue S. W., was the scene at high noon last Tuesday of a pretty and interesting marriage. The contracting parties were his prettey daughter, Miss Elizabeth Goodall Firey, and Mr. John David Bowyer, of the Stone Printing Company, formerly of Lexington. The father of the bride officiated. Miss Kate Firey, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mr. L. S. McGhee was best man. The parlor was beautifully decorated, the couple standing under a lovely floral bell during the ceremony. Miss Mayme Becker played Mendelssohn's wedding march and Lange's "Love Song" during the ceremony. The bride wore a handsome praveling costume of brown cloth and carried a bouquet of bride roses. The couple left on the 1:50 p. m. train for the Northern cities.

State Both hall from the same Congressional district and the struggle between them is made all the more inferentially completed in the 1:50 p. m. train for the treason.

The friends of Lieutenani-Governor Echols say that, in the event of a long-time that the valley statesman would have an admirable chance to capture the plum; as they believe he is looked upon with much favor throughout the State. The friends of Messra. Ellyson and Marginal for their favorites and express to belief that each stand a good chance.

SECRETARY LAWLESS PLEASED.

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#### SUFFOLK NEWS

Isle of Wight Oyster Men Will Make a Vigorous Fight.

cratic Committee-Seventy-fifth Birth-

Suffolk, Va., Dec. 22.-Information omes from a reliable source in Isle of Wight county tonight that the oystermen propose to make of the recent celebrated oyster cases a more permanent issue than the mere guilt or innocence of the accused, who were

nocence of the accused, who were charged with oyster piracy, or expressed differently, petit larceny.

Now that Claude Tennis has been acquitted the State has announced ks intention of trying the cases one by one till a conviction shall have been secured. The oystermen's future course may depend on whether any of the others be found guilky.

If they be found guilty the cases will likely go to the Court of Appeals, for with that end in view a stenographic record of the trial has been kept, and it is said to be in excellent shape. Should none of the oystermen be convicted they may still carry the matter to the legislature, for the late Baylor survey is said to be very unsatisfactory, and those who live by taking oysters from the river would love to see what they might call a more equitable settlement.

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ALLEGED BAYLOR ERRORS.
It is ciaimed that the Baylor survey takes in grounds which should be and are natural rocks. The defense at the late trial wanted to prove that the county commissioners had indicated to Baylor that certain grounds should have been excluded, but were not.

PREPARED TO FIGHT.

So vital is the question regarded by the oystermen that they are ready to raise lots of money in the aggregate to have the matter fixed to their liking, which they think would be equitable. During the late trial they had no trouble in raising money for the lawyers and stenographer, and they are ready to spend more when they consider their rights are at stake.

Besides the fifty save outcomes rights are at stake.

Besides the fifty-seven oystermen ac-cused of piracy or larceny, there are pineteen others charged with culling, making a total of seventy-six who have

making a total of seventy-six who have issues at heart.

MR. JORDAN WILL ACCEPT.

Hon. Waiter Jordan has decided to accept the chairmanship profered by the Nansemond county Democratic executive committee, without a dissenting voice. Mr. Jordan did not wish to be chairman of a faction and would not have accepted had he considered his incumbency objectionable to any clique.

Since the committee meeting, however. Mr. Jordan has received assurances from members of each so-called faction that he is very acceptable. Mr. Jordan realizes the responsibility which the acceptance means, and will go into the leadership feeling that his actions will be supported by Democrats, no matter whether or not their affiliations have previously been factional. He proposes to act fairly and will not subjugate the office for personal ends. SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OLD. Captain Robert Arnold, who claims to have lived longer in Suffolk than any person who was born here, today celebrated his 75th birthday. Many friends gave tokens of esteem and wished him much happiness. Captain Arnold is now almost blind, and he circulates through the streets with extreme difficulty. He used to be a news-Since the committee meeting, how-

trme difficulty. He used to be a newspaper correspondent and also wrote a book called "Uncle Alec and His Mule," a tale of the Dismal Swamp.

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Mr. J. Walter Hosler has declared his intention of building a cotton gin in Suffolk. He proposes to establish the plant in time to handle next year's crop and advises farmers to plant considerable cotton instead of putting their farms in peanuts. The factory is expected to pay high cash prices for the product and will gin it in upto-date style. The site proposed for the gin is in East Suffolk.

DRAMATIC PERSONAL.

Appleby's four-act society drama, "The Diamond Queen," will be the bill next Monday night, when the Harry

"The Diamond Queen," will be the bill next Monday night, when the Harry Lindley Comedy Company will commence a week's engagement at the City Hall Theatre. A complete change of plays and specialties will be made at each performance. The roster of the company is as follows: Harry Lindley, "Little Mystic," Adebadde Flint Luilla Beek Modre Wilmot. Lindley, "Little Mystle," Adeleaide Flint, Luilla Beck, Madge Wilmot, Villa Osborne, Miss Marvis, H. W. Young, D. O. Secord, W. A. Lawrence, Geo. G. Secor, Dud. Beck, L. Watkins,

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Read the new ads in the Suffolk colmen to-day.

Rev. W. C. Vaden, Methodist presiding elder, is expected to preach at the East Suffolk Church Sunday at 3 p. m. and in the Main Street Church at 7:30

Mrs. J. W. Robertson, of Petersburg.

airs. J. W. Robertson, of Petersburg, last night visited Mrs. H. B. Phillips, in Suffolk, and left to-day for Whaley-ville, Va.
Mr. A. S. Johnson, deputy cierk of Isle of Wight, was in Suffolk to-day.
Mrs. F. G. Whaley, of Greenville, N. C., came today to spend a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Shepherd.

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Rev. R. H. Potts, pastor-elect of the Suffolk Methodist church, but whose coming has been delayed because of his wife's illness, arrived in Suffolk this afternoon, but expects to leave to-morrow morning for New Bern, N. C., where his wife is yet ill. The congregation had been expecting to hear their new pastor tomorrow.

#### HER VOCATION.

(By John Edgar Milan.)

the wept with the world when the worldly wept. She laughed when the worldly laugh-

She sighed with the world when the worldly sighed, And chaffed when the worldly chaff-

ed, Yet the joys she derived from the worldly Were joys that were not of the real.
And the sorrow she expressed for the
worldly
Was a sorrow she did not feel.

Her innermost thoughts lie far beyond. Beyond all worldly love; Thoughts as pure as the whispering

winds
That waft gently over the moors A silent and mystical voice had called Afar from the regions above; It spoke of the shallowness of worldly

things,
And the depth of a heavenly love.

As she list to the ethereal murmus ings
She struggled as one enthralled,
But her struggles were vain. The
voice had spoken.

She must obey its call, Now she dwells no more with the

worldly.

All worldly thoughts have flown,
Her thoughts now dwell with the holy;
She dwells with that voice alone. THE MUSTARD BATH.

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THE GROCER DID NOT LAUGH. THE GROCER DID NOT LAUGH.

They were in the grocer's, says TidBits. Said the grocer, seeing a blind
man about to enter, "Are you aware
how delicate the touch of a blind person is? When nature deprives us of
one sense, she makes amends by bringing the other senses to extraordinary
acuteness. Let us illustrate by this
gentleman. I'll take a scoop of sugar
and let him feel it, and you will see
how quickly he'll tell what it is."

The Half Cent.

A movement is on foot to put a one-half cent coin in general use in the United States. Several suggestions have been made to the government, and a document was presented, signed by the heads of the big department stores in the various cities thoroughout the country, showing the needs for this money in making change where articles are sold at 12½ cents and similar prices. As time flies, pregress finds many methods of improvement, but for half a century past, in spite of many imitations, nothing has arisen to equal Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, one of the greatest benefactors the human race has ever known. This medicine cures conditional indigestion, dyster cures conditionally indigestion, during the cure condition of the bottle.

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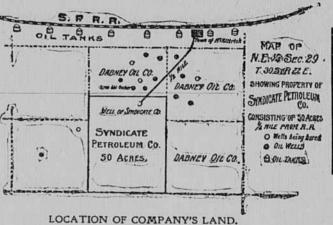


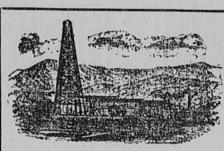
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found themselves rich. As an instance of this, the stock of the Home Oil Company, which sold originally at a nompany, which sold originally at a nompany at nompany, which sold originally at a nompany, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the company, which sold originally at a nompany or the defiled to Tim Spellacy that the company, whethe

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